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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT, INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

And DELETION OF INVENTORS

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, please insert the following new first paragraph:

-- This application is a divisional of co-pending U.S. Application No. 09/385,107, filed with the U.S. Patent Office on August 27, 1999 which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application 08/944,022 filed with the U.S. Patent Office on September 15, 1997 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,968,542 issued October 19, 1999), which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application 08/478,450 filed with the U.S. Patent Office on June 7, 1995 (now abandoned) which is a continuation-in-part of 08/474,337 filed with the U.S. Patent Office on June 7, 1995 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,747,058 issued May 5, 1998).--

## IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 1-87.

## **REMARKS**:

This application is a divisional of prior application number 09/385,107, filed with the U.S. Patent Office on August 27, 1999. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter this preliminary amendment prior to calculating the filing fee.

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant identifies the material listed on the modified forms PTO-1449 accompanying this submission: Applicant does not concede that the identified material constitutes prior art within the meaning of the United States patent laws.